



**PATENT APPLICATION**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the Application of:

Confirmation No.: 1577

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Group Art Unit: 1651

Application No.: 10/601,668

Examiner: Leon B. LANKFORD, Jr.

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For: MICROBE CULTURE CONTAINING MICROBES HAVING DIFFERENT CHARACTERS LIVING IN SYMBIOSIS WITH EACH OTHER AND METABOLITES THEREFROM, CARRIER AND ABSORBING MATERIAL CONTAINING THE ACTIVE INGREDIENTS OF THE CULTURE AND UTILIZATION THEREOF

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R § 1.111**

**Mail Stop: AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

This response is submitted in reply to the outstanding Office Action dated December 13, 2005. The period for response is extended one month, from March 13, 2006, to April 13, 2006, by the attached Petition for Extension of Time. Please amend the application as shown on the following pages:

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